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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 21, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application. The non-statutory period for response was due to expire on March 21, 2007, but with acceptance of the accompanying fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for a three-month extension of time, the period for response is extended to June 21, 2008. As June 21, 2008 is a Saturday, the period for response is further extended to June 23, 2008, and this response is timely filed.

Although Applicants believe no additional fee is due for this filing, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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